

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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Cleanliness in Railways
Pathak Smt. Riti

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways has taken any steps to ensure clean toilets, platforms and railway tracks at the railway stations in the mega cities of the country under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total funds spent by the Railways for the said purpose during the year 2015-16?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. Under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Special Cleanliness Campaign was launched on Indian Railways on 2nd Oct, 2014. Regular events on cleanliness are planned and organised to improve and maintain cleanliness at Railway premises including toilets, platforms and tracks at railway stations in the mega cities. Weekly special intensive cleaning drives at major Railway stations in rotation have also been undertaken by Zonal Railways.

On completion of one year of Swachh Bharat Mission, theme based cleanliness drives have been launched by Indian Railways from 25th Sept, 2015. Campaigns for increasing the awareness and participation from all sections viz. Railway staff, Railway users/public as well as Charitable Institutions/Social Organisations, were organised at many major stations. Enforcement of Indian Railways (Penalties for activities affecting cleanliness at railway premises) Rules, 2012 has also been intensified.

An amount of ` 315 crores approx. have been spent by the Ministry on cleanliness and sanitation at all stations of Zonal Railways during the year 2015-16. This includes cleanliness of toilets, platforms and tracks within station limit, circulating area, waiting rooms under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.
